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## U. S. FORCE IN ACTION ALONG ALLIED FRONT

Section 1 of Munition Transport Service Rush Ammunition to French.

## NO MAJOR ACTION

German Attacks Repulsed—Vienna Reports Austria Checks Italians.

By United Press

TRAINING CAMPS OF THE AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE, SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, May 25.—America's first armed force began active service at the front today. It was section 1 of the Munitions Transport Service. Its forty odd young Americans left the training camp last night. Today they are hurrying ammunition to French fighters at the front.

Simultaneously with the departure of Section 1, Sections 2 and 3 arrived in camp. Most of section 2 is made up of Andover College men and they will enter active service next week. Two weeks hence Dartmouth, Yale, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Chicago and Williams men in Unit No. 3 will be in the work.

## Active Fighting on Italian Front.

By United Press

VIENNA, May 25.—Austrian arms are maintaining their supremacy practically everywhere on the Italian front in the most desperate fighting this theater of war has ever witnessed according to today's official statement. The only gain made by the enemy was in the Jamiano salient, where the Austrians withdrew five-eighths of a mile.

## Lull Extends to French Lines.

By United Press

PARIS, May 25.—The lull on the western front extended to the French lines today. The official statement indicated only restricted fighting and no major action. The French forces made a successful attack in the region of Chevreux during the night. Thirty prisoners were taken. They found the enemy shelters demolished by the French artillery fire. A few dead were found. The German attacks north of Vaulere and in the region of Courcy were repulsed.

## U-Boat Told 3 Million Tons.

By United Press

PARIS, May 25.—Three millions of tons of shipping were lost in submarine warfare from January 1 to May 1, Deputy Cels estimated in opening the debate in the Chamber of Deputies today on the submarine question.

## Italian Forces Sweep On.

By United Press

ROME, May 25.—With another sweep forward, across crags and rocks, in some places literally blasting their way by storm of artillery fire, Italian troops moved early today from Castagnavizza to the sea frontage.

## JAIL-BREAKERS COME BACK

By United Press

William Roberts and Hodge Reid Return After 90 Minutes' Freedom.

After an hour and a half of freedom Wednesday night, Hodge Reid and William Roberts, county prisoners, crawled back through the hole which they had chiseled in the wall of the county jail.

Roberts is charged with stealing meat from a farm northeast of Columbia, and Reid is charged with buying the meat after knowing it was stolen. Sheriff Whitesides has deprived the men of the use of the prison corridor on account of their escape.

## MISSOURI READY FOR DRAFT

By United Press

Governor Receives Assurances of Preparedness for Registration.

JEFFERSON CITY, May 25.—Governor Gardner this afternoon announced that he had received information from practically every county in the state and all the larger cities that everything is in readiness for the registration of selective service eligibles June 5.

## J. L. Wagner Re-Elected State Officer.

By United Press

Joseph L. Wagner of Columbia was re-elected secretary of the re-organized State Board of Charities and Corrections yesterday at Jefferson City. Secretary Wagner, in making his report, said that the state institutions, generally speaking, are in a satisfactory condition.

## THE CALENDAR

May 25.—An exhibition and reception at Christian College by the students of School of Art and School of Home Economics at 3 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon and 8 to 10 o'clock at night in the College Auditorium.

May 27.—Baccalaureate services of Christian College at 7:45 o'clock at the First Christian Church. Sermon by the Rev. L. J. Marshall of Kansas City.

May 28.—"The Mikado," under the direction of Isaac Edward Norris, by students of Christian College and the University, at 8:15 o'clock in the Christian College Auditorium.

May 29.—"America," a historical pageant, under the direction of Mrs. Marion W. Hertig, by the Twelfth Night Club of Christian College, at 8:15 o'clock upon the college campus.

May 29.—"The Japanese Girl"—an opera given by the Stephens College Chorus. Forty voices, assisted by seven soloists, under the direction of Miss Agnes Husband.

May 30.—Senior Class Day at Christian College at 10:30 o'clock in the college auditorium and on the college campus.

May 31.—Commencement at Christian College with an address by Miss Mary McDowell of Chicago at 10 o'clock in the college auditorium.

## SANTA FE TO ST. LOUIS

Unofficial Advice Says Work on New Line Will Begin This Summer.

By United Press

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—Unofficial information reaching here this afternoon from reliable railroad sources said that the Santa Fe-St. Louis line would be begun shortly, which came from an official of the Santa Fe whose name cannot be revealed. He said that work would begin sometime this summer. The War Department and the Council of National Defense are understood to have caused plans for the line to be speeded up in order to increase cross country facilities for moving troops.

It was understood that the present Santa Fe double track on the Chicago line will be used to Carrollton. The Santa Fe will build a double track line from Carrollton to Mexico. The Burlington will double track from Mexico to St. Louis and the two roads will use this line in common.

## DEMOCRATIC LEADER INDICTED

Frank Farris and Ray Cummins Charged With Raising Slush Fund.

By United Press

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—Patrolman Ray Cummins, indicted with Frank H. Farris, Rolla Democrat, leader of the Missouri House of Representatives for alleged complicity in the collection of a "slush" fund among the members of the St. Louis police force, surrendered late today. Farris came to St. Louis today and gave bond for \$1,500 to answer any charge that might be preferred.

The indictment followed a grand jury investigation which has been under way for more than a week. The principal witness was James Mackay of Rolla, a real estate speculator, who alleged that he acted as Farris' agent last November, and suggested that the St. Louis policemen raise a fund to be used in putting the salary increase bill through the legislature.

## BRITISH MISSION LEAVES U. S.

By United Press

Party Crossed Border into Canada "Some Time Today."

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The British mission left Washington last night and will cross the Canadian border some time today. This concludes the visit to America.

This announcement was made by the State Department this afternoon.

## H. W. Anderson to Speak Here.

H. W. Anderson, who was graduated from the University in 1904, will meet with the University men at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium Sunday afternoon. Mr. Anderson will tell of the condition in Russia where he has done Y. M. C. A. work for the last seven years. Slides will be shown of the Hollister camp where the Ozark Mountain Student Conference will be held from June 15 to June 25.

## Captain King Must Have Post Orderly.

Captain J. C. King has received orders from the office of the Adjutant-General to leave his post in such order that his return will not be necessary and he will be free to move at command. This order has gone out to all officers on college duty so that officers engaged in such duty will be able to respond quickly to the call of the Government.

## Selling Whisky Costs Him 6 Months.

Levi Williams, a negro, was convicted of selling whisky by a jury yesterday in the justice court and sentenced to serve six months in the county jail.

## WAR'S MAIN BURDEN TO FALL ON AMERICA

Russia Out and France at End of Man-Power, Military Men Say.

## REAL FACTS HIDDEN

Solution of Submarine Menace Must Determine Final Victory.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Russia is out of the war as far as military power is concerned for at least two years. France is about at the end of her manpower.

These are the cold facts about the war situation as seen today by military men who are in a position to know conditions by reason of intimate knowledge of American observers' reports.

While Great Britain still has considerable punch left, these experts believe the struggle is rapidly reaching the place where the United States must bear the main burden. The war will be long, America's half million men will be only a "drop in the bucket," and must be followed by other vast increments. The west front struggle, they say, has been misinterpreted, and unreliable reports, either through the Allies' unwillingness to let real facts be known or the ignorance of the exact state of affairs on the part of American newspapers.

These men declare that for many months American people have been led astray to the real situation. The Allies are not making the headway that the country has been led to believe, they assert.

The solution of the submarine menace must eventually determine where victory must rest, except for what part America shall play in the struggle. The last fresh man wins the battle, and the last fresh million of men will decide the war.

Hence America must bear a heavy burden during the next two or possibly three years, and the sooner the nation awakes to the truth, according to these men, the better it will be.

## FIRE CAUSES \$800 DAMAGE

By United Press

House Occupied by Mrs. Anna Armit Burns Early Today.

The house occupied by Mrs. Anna Armit, 403 Mathews street, owned by W. C. Belcher, was damaged by fire this morning to the extent of about \$800, probably caused by burning soot falling on the shingle roof. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

Mrs. Armit and son, Ira, a student in the University, got up early this morning to start on an automobile trip to Joplin. They started a fire in the kitchen stove, ate their breakfast and then started on the trip. About 5:20, Wendell Holman, a student in the University, who is rooming there, was awakened by plaster falling from the ceiling. He immediately turned in an alarm to the fire department, but the roof was aflame before it arrived.

Miss Eley E. Armit, a student in the School of Journalism, is a daughter of Mrs. Anna Armit.

## EXPECTS COUNTY TO DO ITS BIT

By United Press

Brig.-General Clark Wants National Guard at War Strength June 5.

Captain E. E. Major of Company F received the following telegram today from Brigadier-General H. C. Clark of Nevada regarding enlistments: "I hope to wire the President on June 5 that the Missouri National Guard is at war strength, and I expect Boone County to do its share."

The adjutant general of the National Guards has sent a circular letter, stating that no requisitions should be sent for equipment until further notice. Company F has equipment for only 100 men, although it has a membership of 120. The circular further states that the government cannot under any conditions supply uniforms, etc., for some time.

## Student Brings Back His War Crop.

Galen O. Gilbert, a senior in the College of Agriculture who was excused six weeks ago to go back to the farm, arrived in Columbia yesterday with thirty crates of strawberries which he helped raise on his father's farm near Siloam Springs, Ark. About 125 more crates are coming from this farm to Columbia. Mr. Gilbert will remain here to market the whole crop.

## LOCAL BANKS PUSH LIBERTY BOND SALE

Convention Here Monday Will Make Plans for County's Share.

## W. D. VANDIVER HERE

Assistant U. S. Treasurer Explains Issue to Columbia Financiers.

By United Press

A convention of Boone County bankers will be held Monday morning in Columbia to make plans for the sale of the Liberty Loan Bonds, application blanks for which arrived in Columbia yesterday. A representative from each bank in the county will attend the Monday meeting. Beginning today Columbia banks will push the sale of the Liberty bonds.

At noon local bankers met and discussed the bond proposal. W. D. Vandiver, assistant United States treasurer, explained the issue, telling of the slogan "A bond in every home," which has been adopted in the national campaign for the bond sale.

## Funds Needed Soon.

"In the first place," said Mr. Vandiver, this afternoon, it is difficult for us who live in the Middle West to realize that the country is actually at war. But our armies are being organized and the large fund which is needed to successfully wage the war will soon be needed. Besides being a good investment each citizen should invest in the Liberty bonds as a patriotic duty. Every American should have one, even if he has to borrow the money to buy it."

Mr. Vandiver told of the method of handling the subscriptions through his office in St. Louis. The bonds are issued in small denominations and can be bought on the installment plan. Large business concerns are subscribing for them for each employee and advancing the money to the employee if he cannot pay for it himself.

## "Boone Will Do Her Share."

In speaking of the Liberty loan issue locally, Mr. Vandiver, who is a former resident of Columbia and a frequent visitor here, said: "Boone County has always done her full share and I have confidence she will do it this time."

Columbia bankers this afternoon said that there is united opinion here to push the sale of the bond issue. Before the bankers Mr. Vandiver stated that the present need was to rouse the individual to the object and the necessity of the subscription to the loans for the government to carry on the war. He said that the bankers of the country were acting as agents for the individuals.

## TO BOOST LIBERTY BOND SALE

By United Press

Victor Barth Clothing Co. Will Redeem War Votes for Merchandise.

To boost the sale of Liberty Bonds, the Victor Barth Clothing Company today announced that it will redeem for merchandise any of the bonds at their face value plus five per cent. This means that a \$50 bond will buy \$52.50 worth of merchandise, with corresponding values for the bonds of higher denominations. Later the accrued interest will be paid in cash. The plan is a new one here, the clothing company says it wants to do its "bit" to encourage the sale of the bonds.

## MARRIAGE A SECRET 6 MONTHS

By United Press

Miss Jennie Blanton and J. J. Neff Were Wed at Ft. Leavenworth.

The marriage of Miss Jennie Blanton, 509 Cherry street, Columbia, and J. J. Neff of Gilliam, which took place in Leavenworth, Kan., November 18, 1916, and was successfully kept secret these six months was announced yesterday. Mrs. Neff formerly attended Columbia High School and was assistant cashier of the Conley-Myers Bank. Mr. Neff is a graduate of the University and Warrensburg Normal School. He is principal of the Gilliam public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Neff will live in Columbia this summer.

## Presbyterians For Equal Suffrage.

By United Press

DALLAS, May 25.—The Presbyterian General Assembly today adopted unanimously a resolution favoring national woman suffrage.

## C. C. Alumnae Banquet to Be May 30.

The Christian College Alumnae Banquet will be given May 30, not May 25, as erroneously stated yesterday.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Showers this afternoon, tonight and probably Saturday; slightly cooler Saturday.

For Missouri: Unsettled weather tonight and Saturday; probably showers; cooler Saturday north and west portion.

## Weather Conditions.

The western low pressure wave is traveling slowly eastward and this morning has its center in eastern Colorado and western Kansas.

Rains continue extensive in the Rocky Mountain region and reach across the central plains district to Missouri and Arkansas.

The weather is somewhat warmer in the principal grain states, but temperatures still are below the seasonal average. It is growing cooler in the far Northwest. In Columbia the week will close showery and cooler.

## Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 73 and the lowest last night was 55; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 25% yesterday 41 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 59 and the lowest 67; precipitation 0.00 inch.

## The Almanac.

Sun rises today, 4:48 a. m. Sun sets, 7:23 p. m.

Moon sets, 11:17 p. m.

## The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m. 60 11 a. m. 64

8 a. m. 65 12 noon 62

9 a. m. 64 1 p. m. 60

10 a. m. 64 2 p. m. 63

## ADMINISTERS DRAFT OATH TO THIRTY-FOUR

J. E. Boggs Gets Instructions For Registration Day Judges.

## 30 STUDENTS SIGN

Sheriff Whitesides Says Officials Are Learning Instructions.

By United Press

J. E. Boggs, mayor of Columbia and circuit clerk of Boone County, under the instructions of Governor Gardner, at the courthouse today administered the oath to thirty-four men who will act as conscription judges on June 5 in each of the thirty-four voting precincts of Boone County. This same process is taking place in every county in the United States today.

Beginning at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning, June 5, and continuing until 9 o'clock at night each male citizen of the United States between the ages of 21 and 30 years are required to register at these various precincts. The penalty for refusing or failing to do so is a jail sentence.

The names from these various precincts will be brought to Columbia on June 6 and turned over to the conscription board, which is composed of the sheriff, county clerk and county physician. The board will send or take these names to the governor. This will constitute the first step in the United States bringing into its service an army of 500,000 men.

## Says Students Should Sign Now.

University students who come within the provisions of the conscription measure are beginning to register at the office of Dr. L. M. Defoe, who has charge of the student registration. About thirty had filled out the cards by 10 o'clock this morning. "The students are just beginning to come in," said Dr. Defoe. He also stated it was imperative that they fill out the cards before the end of next week, as the cards must reach their destination on or before the date of registration, June 5. Doctor Defoe would make no estimate of the probable number of registrations he would handle. He said all senior men falling under the provisions of the conscription measure would have to register with him.

## County Registrars All Appointed.

"Registrars for all of Boone County have been appointed," said Sheriff Fred Whitesides this morning. All that remains is for the registrars to fully acquaint themselves with their instructions. This they are doing, according to the sheriff. Every citizen is regarded as obligated to help enforce the registration under the measure's provisions. Persons willfully failing to register will be subject to imprisonment, said Mr. Whitesides. Further instructions, appointing the sheriff and various postmasters as administrators of the registration oaths, have been received.

The local registration committee met this afternoon to thresh out difficulties incumbent on handling the registration in a thorough manner. The local committee is making a careful study of their instructions so all trouble may be mitigated. The prosecuting attorney of each county is obligated to give legal assistance to the various registration boards.

## Coeds Worry About Savitar Picture.

University coeds who have been chosen as Savitar queens are somewhat worried today owing to the rumor that a panel picture of all Savitar Queens has been sold by the Savitar Queen to a cigarette company for use in poster work. It is said that the Savitar management received \$50 from this company on agreement that the Savitar Queens pictures appear only in this company's cigarette advertisements.

## Christian Exhibit to Be Repeated.

The exhibit of the School of Art and the School of Home Economics at Christian College, which was given this afternoon will be open again in the College studio from 3 to 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon because of the bad weather today.

## Mrs. John H. Estes' Mother Ill.

Mrs. John H. Estes was called last night to Wichita, Kan., by the illness of her mother, Mrs. James Madden. Mrs. Madden, who is 79 years old, is suffering with acute indigestion.

## Prof. O.D. Kellogg Undergoes Operation.

Prof. O.D. Kellogg underwent an operation this morning at Parker Memorial Hospital. He will be in the hospital about two weeks.